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# REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

Dr. Cash received.

To balance in Treasury March 1, 1881,	\$1,026 00
In hands of Collector for 1874,	376 30
“ “ “ 1880,	2,853 45
Taxes assessed,	8,573 00
Interest on taxes for 1880,	12 00
Railroad Tax,	303 85
Savings Bank Tax,	1,851 31
Literary Fund,	131 15
C. Richardson, school money Dist. No. 1,	100 00
Rent of Town Hall,	115 25
Lots sold in Cemetery,	12 00
Interest on Lawrence Fund,	70 00
Town of Mont Vernon,	23 81
“ “ New Boston, equalization on school property,	41 25
Town of New Boston, school money,	28 12
Interest on taxes for 1881,	9 16
	<hr/> \$15,526 65

Cr. By cash paid out.

State Tax,	\$1,844 00
County Tax,	1,406 73
Town Officers,	838 70
Miscellaneous,	1,720 67
Snow Bills,	694 70
Roads and bridges,	1,397 54
Principal and Interest,	1,671 92
Schools,	2,727 97
Fire Department,	155 47
Aid to Mrs. Berry,	10 00
N. K. Holt, for Town Farm,	414 14
In hands of Collector, 1874,	376 30
“ “ “ 1880,	628 35
“ “ “ 1881, (W. B. Rotch.)	100 00
“ “ Treasurer,	1,540 16
	<hr/> \$15,526 65

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

E. A. Parkhurst, labor on highway,	\$11 65
Chester Shipley, " "	7 75
A. M. Philbrick, " "	4 80
Fred Ford, " "	12 75
Frank W. Mace, " "	8 25
H. S. Bontell, " "	10 82
J. P. Trow, " "	8 47
Isaac Parker " "	9 10
W. L. Cross, " "	46 96
George F. Lynch, " "	35 50
Eben Meserve, " "	22 75
J. A. Skinner, " "	2 50
C. S. White, " "	20 99
Alpheus Stevens, " "	19 28
D. A. Peabody, " "	47 24
Jas. Cochran, " "	6 90
Chas. F. Wright, " "	14 30
P. S. Barrett, " "	13 10
F. W. Chase, " "	3 25
G. R. Hartshorn, " "	2 52
Benj. F. Merrill, " "in 1879,	6 68
Thos. M. Harvell, " "1880,	6 04
Owen Riley, " "with machine,	65 25
R. T. Knight, " " " "	69 75
Daniel W. Trow, " " " "	130 00
Lucius F. Bills, " " " "	509 25
R. T. Knight, labor and cash paid on highway,	136 06
Luther B. Converse, lighting bridge and labor on highway,	4 45
Granville Parker, labor on highway and bridge,	21 75
Charles Converse, labor on bridge,	6 60
Newton Perham, stone for bridge,	14 10
Thomas M. Harvell, timber for bridge,	5 00
Lucius F. Bills, drawing stone for bridge,	16 00

Frank W. Chase, labor and stone for bridge,	\$40 05
Frank Hartsborn, lumber for bridge,	34 07
Solomon Prince, labor on highway,	1 98
A. S. Wilkins, " "	6 50
Wm. S. Peaslee, " "	1 50
Daniel W. Trow, " "	4 10
James U. Prince, " "	6 50
R. T. Knight, labor on bridge on common,	3 03
	<hr/> \$1,397 54

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### SNOW BILLS.

Wm. B. Sargent,	\$18 52
Charles A. Peabody,	8 84
Isaac Parker,	14 61
Frank W. Mace,	27 23
H. S. Bontell,	12 10
Fred Ford,	21 25
A. M. Philbrick,	17 44
Lucius F. Bills,	6 00
Alpheus Stevens,	10 54
E. A. Parkhurst,	25 97
C. S. White,	18 85
R. T. Knight,	15 40
A. B. Woodward,	9 35
Chester Shipley,	6 00
Thomas M. Harvell,	53 99
Joel H. Fisher,	6 08
J. P. Trow,	31 69
John H. Upham,	2 35
Geo. R. Hartshorn,	8 03
Granville Parker,	19 05
W. L. Cross,	43 98
Luther B. Converse,	24 37
Chas. F. Wright,	33 45
F. W. Chase,	8 65

James Cochran,	\$48 70	
Jacob B Upham,	23 32	
D. A. Peabody,	21 32	
P. S. Barrett,	11 55	
B. B. Whiting,	7 11	
Daniel W. Trow,	18 10	
Frank Hartshorn,	4 55	
A. S. Wilkins,	31 39	
John A. Bontell,	9 08	
Wm. S. Peaslee,	17 25	
Chas. A. Riddle,	38 12	
C. J. Crooker,	6 92	
James U. Prince,	11 00	
H. G. Felton,	2 55	
	<hr/>	\$694 70

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#### PAUPERS OFF THE FARM.

Aid to Mrs. Berry,	\$10 00
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#### SCHOOLS.

Geo. W. Bosworth, Treasurer of Board of Education,	\$2,717 29	
D. O. Danforth, extra school tax, District No. 11,	10 68	
	<hr/>	\$2,727 97

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#### PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST.

Ellen F. McAlvin, interest,	\$26 00	
Frank Hartshorn, principal and interest,	1,548 42	
Mary F. Hardy, " " "	10 00	
Abel T. Rideout, " " "	16 25	
Geo. W. Bosworth, " " "	6 25	
Mary R. Fletcher, " " "	65 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,671 92



## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

A. A. Rotch for Lawrence Engine Co.,	\$87 00	
W. D. Clark for Yankee Engine Co.,	37 50	
J. B. Fay, steward,	14 97	
Services of Firewards,	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$155 47

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Daniel W. Trow, Selectman,	\$150 00	
Mark Putnam, " "	100 00	
William Pratt, " "	110 00	
R. T. Knight, Treasurer,	50 00	
A. A. Rotch, Town Clerk,	58 00	
Wm. B. Rotch, Collector,	75 00	
Daniel W. Trow, Overseer of the Poor,	20 00	
Mark Putnam, " " " "	7 00	
William Pratt, " " " "	10 00	
Thomas M. Harvell, " " " "	3 00	
Joel F. Osgood, Jr., police officer,	10 00	
Geo. W. Bosworth, moderator,	3 00	
G. W. Bosworth and P. W. Dodge, auditors,	6 00	
W. H. Hubbard, supervisor,	10 00	
J. G. Davis, services on Board of Education,	53 85	
Geo. W. Bosworth, " " " "	34 85	
Geo. W. Putnam,	21 00	
E. R. Burt, police,	5 00	
Thomas M. Harvell, Selectman,	12 00	
Geo. W. Osgood, liquor agent,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$838 70

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Chas. Richardson, insuring town property,	\$291 95
Daniel A. Peabody,	50 00

*poor*

Trustees of Town Library, appropriation for Library,	\$100 00
Henry M. Parker, services in and bills paid for Town House,	89 54
B. B. Whiting, wood for Town House,	12 00
F. K. Boutelle, services as undertaker,	58 25
“ “ “ work in Cemetery,	6 50
Edward Finerty, painting and varnishing hearse.	22 00
E. B. Sanborn, advice,	10 00
E. M. Holt, cutting bushes and digging graves,	6 00
Kimball Bros., steel plate for road machine,	8 00
Joel F. Osgood, repairs for road machine,	15 65
“ “ “ iron for Engine House,	75
Geo. Walker, sharpening tools,	2 25
Chas. M. Walker, painting guide boards,	7 00
John Trevitt, surveying highway,	2 00
Thos. M. Harvell, appraising school pro- perty in 1880,	3 00
H. C. Dodge, lead, oil &c.,	14 13
Mark Putnam, tax book and paper,	4 07
R. T. Knight, cutting grass on common,	4 00
Calvin Prince, fire bucket,	50
A. A. Bills, springs for road machine,	1 65
Frank W. Mace and others, watering places,	65 00
Return of births and deaths,	18 75
Copying, stationery &c.,	22 00
A. A. Rotch, notifying jurors, blanks, etc.,	8 75
Boylston & Rotch, printing, advertising, etc.,	75 50
E. G. Richardson, tuning piano,	3 00
Bounty on crows,	1 60
“ hawks,	2 20
Abby Wilkins, winnowing mill,	10 00
A. F. Stevens, legal advice,	5 00
R. M. Wallace, “ “	10 00
R. T. Knight, expenses to Nashua, Concord	

and Manchester.	\$15 00	
R. T. Knight, care of town clock,	15 00	
Discount on taxes,	258 41	
Abatements for 1880,	148 36	
“ “ 1881,*	350 25	
Non-resident receipt,	2 61	
	————	\$1,720 67

\* This includes all taxes on Town property, and notes against the town at low interest.

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### TOWN DEBT.

Amount of notes against the town,		\$3,470 00
In Treasurer's hands,	\$1,540 16	
In the several Collectors' hands,	1,104 65	
In Liquor Agent's hands,	263 00	
	————	\$2,907 81
Total amount of town debt,		<u>\$562 19</u>

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT T. KNIGHT, Treasurer.

AMHERST, March 2nd, 1882. We hereby certify that we have examined and audited the foregoing accounts of the town treasurer of the town of Amherst for the present year and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

PERLEY W. DODGE, }  
GEO. W. BOSWORTH, } Auditors.

# REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

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## EXPENDITURES.

H. E. Woodberry, crockery,	\$8 03
paints,	2 93
groceries &c.,	1 30
H. C. Dodge, grass seed,	9 77
grain,	4 45
groceries, paints, etc.,	7 58
A. F. Sawyer, grain,	183 22
flour, groceries and sundries,	105 42
W. D. Forsaith, phosphate,	140 63
groceries and sundries,	20 65
George K. Walker, meat,	29 76
Foster Brothers, meat, barrel,	9 32
J. H. Holt, pork,	2 52
Ira Chase fish,	13 39
crackers and spices,	8 05
J. B. Fay, tin ware, boiler, etc.,	16 95
Mr. Man, tin ware, brushes, etc.	2 04
Charles Sargent, tin ware, etc.,	1 46
J. F. Osgood, jr., set of wheels and repairing wagons,	23 02
rods for barn,	6 25
horse shoeing and job work,	17 15
J. G. Pedrick, wood work,	1 12
G. Shannesy, repairing wagon,	4 45
S. D. Herrick, set of bog shoes,	3 00
B. B. Whiting, use of hay tedder,	2 00
Cyrus Cross, oil,	30

Prof. A. Snyder, professional shoeing,	\$6 00
Estate of Willard Hayden, bedding, pork, vinegar, etc.,	17 03
H. G. Eaton, repairing cookstove,	3 57
J. J. H. McGregory, garden seeds,	1 00
Nichols, Belman & Co., barbed wire,	7 19
A. A. Gilbert, butter and onions,	4 52
E. T. Nichols, oat straw for beds,	1 25
A. A. Gilson, grinding corn,	15 76
groceries, etc.,	9 99
Kidder & Whitney, hinges etc.,	1 91
D. S. Burnham, saw, hammer and chain,	3 12
J. E. Webster, spoons, knives and stencil plates,	13 15
E. Finerty, painting wagon,	10 00
W. L. Lovejoy & Co., leathers on wagon,	2 75
L. Tingley, harness, straps, and repairing.	23 90
W. D. Trow, flour and molasses,	8 30
Barr & Co., hungarian seed,etc.,	15 42
J. A. Ober & Co., robe and horse blankets,	13 00
H. M. Parker, plants, saw filing and whiffletree,	2 10
Dr. Gilson, knife,	25
Frank Hartshorn, cave trough,	72
H. McIntire, medical attendance for Mr. Bissell,	6 50
Clothing, etc., for Mr. Bissell,	13 93
W. H. Dinsmore, medical attendance for Mrs. McClure,	24 50
Goods bought for Mrs. McClure,	5 91
J. A. Boutelle, keeping cows,	15 00
1 pig,	3 00
Sundries bought in Milford and Nashua,	19 33
J. M. Jackson , butchering,	2 50
Joseph Drucker, use of boar,	1 00
David Farley, 1 mare,	125 00
J. H. Fisher, 5 cows,	216 00
D. W. Trow, 2 cows,	80 00
George Danforth, 1 cow,	45 00
G. F. Bartlett, 1 cow,	49 00
S. E. Staples, 4 heifers,	62 00
James S. Parkhurst, 1 bull,	20 00
Bart Ryan, labor to pay for hay,	20 50

Alonzo Shepherd, white washing and labor,	\$3 25
Willie Winn, labor,	6 00
Freeman B. Spaulding, labor,	60 00
Help in house,	61 24
W. A. Woodward, labor,	190 00
N. R. Holt and wife,	300 00
D. Whiting & Sons, grain, flour, and soap,	371 64
D. T. Buttrick, casting and express,	1 05
H. H. Barber, wall paper and cloth,	11 78
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	\$2,498 90

### RECEIPTS.

Poor Hay,	\$61 24
Keeping steers,	6 40
Mowing Machine,	4 00
Barrels,	1 50
Condensed food,	45
Beef,	183 94
Calves,	9 75
Pigs,	105 25
Hides,	9 61
Farrow Cows,	62 00
Use of grove,	4 00
Pork,	11 28
Boards,	38 93
Potatoes, Beets and cabbages,	5 12
Appraising Hayden Estate,	5 00
Pierce & Co's note for stave timber,	101 37
Board of Martha Lindsey,	8 00
Walnuts,	13 12
Eggs,	8 42
Use of Bull,	9 00
Use of farm tools,	1 60
Rags and old copper,	3 77
Man and team,	65 12
Dinner and horse baiting,	75

Milk sold, 5997 cans,	\$1,365 14
Drew from treasurer,	414 14
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	\$2,498 90

DANIEL W. TROW,	}	Overseers of Poor.
THOMAS M. HARVELL,		
WILLIAM PRATT.		

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

PERLEY W. DODGE,	}	Auditors.
GEO. W. BOSWORTH,		

Amherst, March 2, 1882.

## Inventory of Personal Property at Town Farm.

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14 tons English hay,	\$280 00
16 " stock "	160 00
corn fodder,	30 00
meal,	15 00
25 bush. corn,	25 00
seed corn,	2 00
2 bush. beans,	6 00
3 horses,	400 00
18 cows,	864 00
young stock,	120 00
5 hogs,	70 00
37 hens,	22 00
1 mowing machine,	70 00
1 horse rake and hoe,	6 00
1 horse rake,	29 00
1 roller,	15 00
6 plows,	50 00
3 harrows,	39 00
2 cultivators,	4 00
1 horse fork and ropes,	12 00
1 hay cutter,	5 00
1 corn sheller,	5 00
3 hand rakes, 1 drag rake,	1 50
6 pitch forks,	3 00
3 shovels,	1 00
3 hoes, 2 potato diggers,	2 00
1 spade,	90
1 post axe,	1 00
1 iron bar,	1 25
3 wood saws,	2 75



3 axes,	\$2 00
hinges, screws and hasps,	50
hog hook and scalding tub,	75
old iron,	1 00
3 manure forks and hook,	3 00
light wagon,	60 00
1 double harness,	28 00
2 single harnesses,	30 00
1 sleigh,	5 00
wolf robe and blankets,	13 00
1 whip,	1 15
1 lumber wagon,	60 00
1 farm wagon,	25 00
2 carts,	115 00
1 spear, drag and stone body,	5 00
1 traverse runner sled,	35 00
1 ox sled,	7 00
sled shoe patterns,	50
2 yokes,	1 00
1 slide yoke,	6 00
2 horse yokes,	2 00
4 whiffletrees,	2 00
1 evener,	1 00
wheelbarrow and hand sled,	6 00
7 chains,	6 70
scythe and snaths,	2 00
hook and ladders,	8 50
4 baskets,	1 60
1 set dry measures,	75
2 cart spears,	3 00
15 flour barrels,	1 50
fan mill,	10 00
2 vinegar barrels and vinegar,	3 00
bog shoes,	3 50
lumber and shingles,	63 00
2 pair steelyards and 4 augers,	3 00
1 grindstone,	6 00
corn cutters,	60

1 root cutter,	\$1 00
4 hammers, screw driver and nippers,	2 25
1 hand saw,	1 25
beetle, wedges and saw set,	1 50
$\frac{1}{4}$ barrel of flour,	2 00
40 lbs. lard,	6 00
tea,	50
sugar,	1 50
spicés,	1 00
50 bush. potatoes,	50 00
turnips, carrots and beets,	4 00
1 cider barrel,	50
3 gallons pickles,	1 20
31 cans fruit,	6 00
walnuts and butternuts,	1 75
150 lbs. salt pork,	18 00
148 lbs. ham,	17 75
corn beef,	12 00
bags and salt,	3 50
4 stoves,	40 00
2 tea kettles,	1 50
5 iron pots,	3 50
3 flat irons,	1 00
frying pan and kettles,	1 00
1 apple parer,	50
brass kettle,	3 00
tin and cooking ware,	12 00
crockery ware and spoon holder,	11 00
9 tumblers, 2 salters,	90
spoons, knives and forks,	13 00
1 teapot stand,	25
5 lamps, 3 lanterns,	4 50
2 oil cans,	75
stone and earthen jars,	1 45
5 pitchers,	3 00
28 fruit cans,	2 75
1 jug,	60
oil,	60

tallow,	\$2 50
1 lounge,	8 00
6 cane chairs,	6 00
3 rocking chairs,	3 00
18 chairs,	3 00
4 tables,	10 00
8 light stands,	2 00
5 case of draws,	5 00
clothes horse and dry sink,	2 00
2 wash tubs,	2 00
4 wooden pails,	75
wash boards and bench,	1 00
9 bedsteads,	10 50
1 tea poy,	1 00
clothes line and pins,	50
clothes wringer,	5 00
clothes basket,	75
3 brooms,	50
1 copper boiler,	8 00
matches,	18
2 clocks,	5 00
5 mirrors,	3 00
2 coffee boxes,	50
2 trays, 5 meat barrels,	6 00
2 kegs,	1 50
2 buckets,	1 20
1 meal chest,	2 00
2 cheese safes,	3 00
8 wollen blankets,	4 00
24 cotton sheets,	7 00
43 pillow slips,	4 00
20 quilts and comforters,	16 00
1 bolster,	1 00
20 pillows,	5 00
10 feather beds,	45 00
7 straw ticks,	3 50
1 cotton mattress,	50
2 table covers,	1 50

6 roller towels,	\$ 1 25
9 cords of wood,	22 50
window curtains,	1 25
bibles and other books,	4 00
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Total,	\$3,208 93

## Report of Trustees of the Town Library.

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By the appointment of the Selectmen, Rev. J. G. Davis and Mrs. P. W. Dodge, whose term of service expired in March, 1881, continue in office for the current year.

Mr. J. E. Upton,  
Mrs. Saml. D. Herrick, } Term of service expires 1882.

Mr. James F. Weston,  
Miss L. B. Myrick, } Term of service expires, 1883.

The membership of the Board remains unchanged, but four persons should be elected at the next annual meeting of the Town to fill the vacancies that occur in March.

The Library has been kept open for the benefit of our citizens on every Saturday afternoon during the year. No books have been lost, and no serious damage to the books is reported. Few books have been retained beyond the established limits, one hundred and seventeen families have drawn books, and the whole number loaned was seventeen hundred and eighteen, an average issue of thirty-three volumes per week.

During the year sixty-two volumes have been purchased and placed in the Library at an expense of \$67.42, and twelve volumes and two pamphlets have been presented to the Library, viz :

Sketch of Rev. Silas Aiken, by Dr. Aiken.

Progress and Poverty. Donor unknown.

Schawtko's Search. Donor unknown.

Life and Times of Goethe, by Mrs. James McGregor of Boston.

The Daughter of an Egyptian King, by Mrs. Geo. A. Spalding of New York City.

First Annual Report of Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity of Mass., 1879, and 11th Report of State Board of Health of

Mass. 1879, 2 vols., by Wm. Blanchard, Esq., of Boston, Mass.

Dartmouth Memorials of Judges recently deceased, 1880, by Rev. J. G. Davis.

Reports of the Commissioner of Agriculture, 1879 and 1880, New Hampshire Agriculture 1879, Contagious Diseases of Domestic Animals 1880-81, 4 vols., by A. A. Rotch, Esq.

Fragrant Memories, by E. D. Boylston, Esq.

Self Culture, Rev. Freeman Clark D. D., by Mrs. Wm. Blanchard of Boston.

The Library now contains nine hundred and thirty volumes, most of them in good condition and adapted to general reading. More than ten years have elapsed since a complete catalogue was published. The number of readers would undoubtedly increase if all the volumes with their appropriate titles were printed in one catalogue. As the matter now is, few persons have sufficient knowledge of what the Library contains to avail themselves of its treasures. If the Town should decide to make an appropriation to pay the cost of printing, we think that the labor required in the preparation of a new catalogue would be furnished gratuitously.

The following summary is from the report of the Treasurer Miss Myrick.

CR.—By balance in the treasury,	\$4 45	
Cash from the town,	100 00	
Loan of books and fines,	2 32	
	————	\$106 77
DR.—To binding and repair of books,	\$4 10	
Books purchased, see bills on file,	67 42	
Granite Monthly and Harper's Mag,	5 10	
Services of Librarian,	25 00	
Postage and Miscellaneous expenses,	1 26	
Balance on hand,	3 89	
	————	\$106 77

AMHERST, March 1, 1882.



